

## The Stage

By BIDE DUDLEY

**CHRISTMAS** was a profitable day for the Broadway theatres. Large audiences attended nearly all of them and in many cases hundreds were turned away. The nine new productions which began their engagements last night all drew capacity crowds. It looks as though there is an era of prosperity just ahead for the theatrical business in this part of the country.

**WILLIE WITH HARRIS.**  
For some time we wondered what had become of Willie Newman, the plant-size manager, long in charge of the Empire Theatre. Now comes the announcement that Willie has joined the Sam H. Harris forces, and is in charge of the Margaret Lawrence show "Secrets." That's good. Broadway really wouldn't be the same without Willie somewhere.

**"BOOTLEGGERS" ON TOUR.**  
The Bootleggers, which closed at the 39th Street Theatre Saturday night, is to be presented on tour. For a while we thought it was to be bottled up here.

**TO OFFER PLAYLETS.**  
The initial performance of The Dramatists' Guild, assisted by the Brooklyn Theatre Guild, will be held Jan. 5 and 6 at the Rand School Theatre, No. 7 East 15th Street. Three playlets will be offered. They are "The Forfeit," by Leon Hattab; "The Garment Worker's Dream," by the same author, and "Murder for Murder," by Arthur Busch.

**GOSSIP.**  
Victor Henry and Pauline Hendrick have been added to the third "Blossom Time" cast.

Since Dec. 3 about 10,000 children from various institutions have seen "Better Times" at the Hippodrome as guests of the management.

A University Club is being organized back stage at the Hippodrome among the university and college girls of "Better Times."

E. F. Albee has requested all vaudeville managers on the Keith-Proctor-Moss circuits in this state to assist in raising \$75,000 for the Woodrow Wilson Foundation.

**A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.**  
To the hundreds of friends who have sent us Christmas cards we take this occasion to offer our thanks and to say, "The same to you!"

**FOOLISHMENT.**  
The King grew angry with the Queen. My, how he scolded around! She went and got the rolling-pin. And then the King was crowned.

**FROM THE CHESTNUT TREE.**  
"Her heart was broken in two places."  
"Two places?"  
"Yes, Atlantic City and Long Beach."

**MRS. SMITH AT A LUNCHEON.**  
Mrs. Alfred E. Gov.-elect Smith, will be the guest of honor at a luncheon tendered by the Women's Democratic Club in the Hotel Commodore this afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Mrs. John E. Quinn, President of the club, will be toastmaster. The arrangements are in charge of Miss Ella T. Sullivan, Chairman, of No. 159 East 89th Street.



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St. Joseph's Dramatic Society, founded two years ago, and still directed by the Rev. Justin J. Lyons of St. Joseph's Church, Sixth Avenue and Washington Place, will present "Turn to the Right" at the Parish Hall for three nights, beginning tomorrow. It will be the first time the comedy has been given by amateurs. The four young women taking the leading roles will be Miss Marie Converse, who will play Jessie Strong; Miss Vera Roche, Elsie Tillinger; Miss Dorothy Tuohy, Betty Hanson, and Miss Grace Neary, Mrs. Hanson.

**CELEBRATES 11TH BIRTHDAY.**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Mary Vermett, who celebrated her 11th birthday yesterday on a farm near Woodstock, Ill., is believed to be the oldest woman in Illinois. Her son Richard, seventy-nine, helped in the celebration. Another son is eighty-two.

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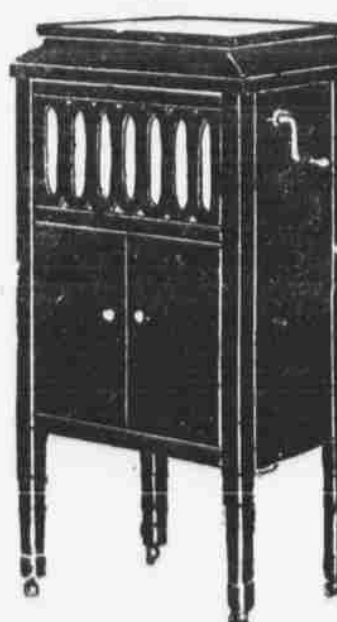
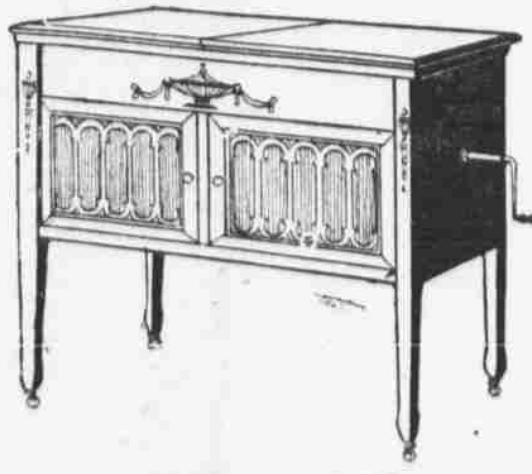
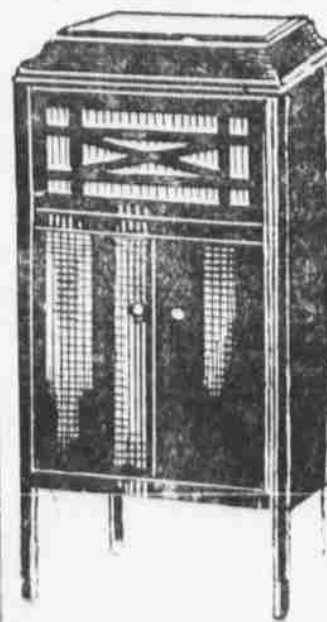
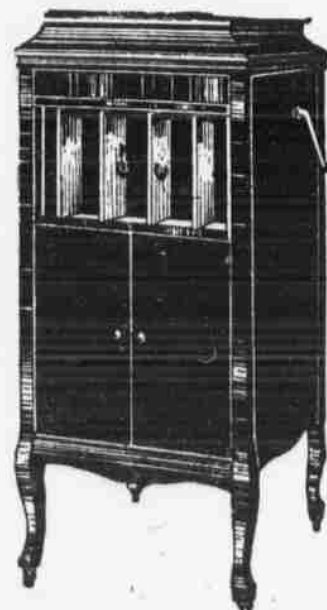
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